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This amendment is submitted in response to the Examiner's action dated January 28, 2005 having a shortened statutory period set to expire April 28, 2005.

In that action the Examiner has indicated the allowability of Claims 1, 3-5, 7, 8, 12, 14 and 15. That indication is gratefully acknowledged.

The Examiner has also rejected Claims 9-11 under 35 U.S.C. §101, believing the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. The Examiner believes that Claim 9 merely recites non-functional descriptive material.

Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's position and notes that Claim 9 and those claims which depend therefrom recite a computer memory element having specific matters and coded therein and that the United States Patent and Trademark Office has long recognized that computer memory elements which comprise signal bearing media can comprise an article of manufacture for statutory purposes. Nevertheless, an order to place the application clearly in condition for allowance Claim 1 has been amended to more clearly recite the function set forth within the indicated allowable claims and, as a result of this amendment, Applicant urges that all claims remaining in the application are currently in condition for allowance

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CONCLUSION

No fee or extension of time is believed to be necessary; however, in the event ~~that any~~ additional fees are required, please charge those fees and any other required fees to **IBM Corporation Deposit Account Number 09-0465.**

Respectfully submitted,



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